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Senate No. SJR0163 By Burks

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Mike Buck and the Pickett County High School boys' basketball team on winning the 1995 Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class A state championship.

WHEREAS, of the hundreds of Tennessee high school basketball teams that start their seasons full of promise, only three finish with a coveted accomplishment, the state championship; and

WHEREAS, the notable 1994-1995 Pickett County High School boys' basketball team has won the 1995 Tennessee Secondary Athletic Association Class A State Tournament; and WHEREAS, their path to glory started with the District 5 A regular season title, earned with a sparkling 12-0 record; and

WHEREAS, the Bobcats next pounced on District 5 A Tournament foes, emerging victorious in that championship hunt, with wins against Upperman 94-48 and Clarkrange 88-76; and

WHEREAS, the Byrdstown boys bested their Region 3 A Tournament opposition, with impressive victories over Watertown 98-66, Trousdale County 77-64 and Gordonsville 77-63, in the championship game; and

WHEREAS, in the crucial substate match, they beat Ezell-Harding Christian Academy 77-70; and

WHEREAS, Pickett County, playing in historic Murphy Center on the MTSU campus, defeated Perry County 62-49, Powell Valley 73-50 and Adamsville 70-60 to win the TSSAA Class A state championship; and

WHEREAS, this tremendously talented and tenacious team compiled an enviable 35-3 overall record, a winning percentage of .920, and were unbeaten against Class A opponents with a 23-0 record; and

WHEREAS, Coach Mike Buck, a 1987 and 1988 state tournament participant, and Assistant Coach Mitch Cupples have performed their duties in a laudable fashion, teaching the value of hard work and dedication; and

WHEREAS, led by senior superstar Joseph Amonett, an All-American and TSSAA Class A "Mr. Basketball", the other members of the team, Matt Crouch, Terry Conner, Brandon Robinson, Josh Sells, Todd Pennycuff, Tim Reagan, Brad Flowers, Matt Smith, Darren Butler and David Hardin have contributed to the success of the team; and

WHEREAS, we are very proud of this fine team and find it fitting to salute them on their accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Mike Buck and the 1994-1995 Pickett County High School boys' basketball team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class A State Tournament and wish them well in their future endeavors. We hope the ball bounces in a straight path for them on the hardwoods and in life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and to each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies

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